

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register: 28 September 2000
Name of applicant/court: Comptroller of Customs
Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable
Title of Publication: Bound & Gagged Issue 65
Other Known Titles: Bound & Gagged Issue 65 July/August 1998
Director: Not Applicable
Producer: Not Applicable
Publisher: Bob Wingate
Editor: Bob Wingate
Format: Magazine
Country of Origin: USA
Language: English

Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature: Running time:
Trailers: Running time:
Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable

Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The magazine entitled *Bound & Gagged Issue 65*, also known as *Bound & Gagged Issue 65 July/August 1998*, is classified as:
Objectionable.

The magazine predominantly consists of text and photographs explicitly describing and depicting bondage and sexual activity between males. The magazine is classified as objectionable because it promotes and supports criteria listed under s3(2)(b) and s3(2)(d) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act) and tends to promote and support criteria listed under s3(2)(a) of the FVPC Act.

The magazine promotes and supports the use of violence and coercion to compel people to participate in, and submit to, sexual conduct. It contains explicit and detailed descriptions, and a cartoon depiction, of non-consensual sexual activity between males, presented in a salacious manner designed to sexually arouse the reader.

The magazine promotes and supports the use of urine in association with sexual conduct. It contains explicit and detailed descriptions, and a cartoon depiction, of men using urine in the course of sexual activity, presented in a salacious manner intended for reader sexual arousal.

The magazine tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. There is one story containing explicit and detailed descriptions of a boy aged 15 engaging in bondage and sadomasochistic activity and engaging in sex with an adult male. This is also presented in a salacious manner intended for reader sexual arousal and implicitly indicates that young persons enjoy sexual activity and are viable sexual partners.

The provisions of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 have been taken into account in determining the classification of this publication, including whether the publication promotes and supports criteria listed in s3(2) of the FVPC Act.

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